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Items of Interest Locally

F. Vickerson was in Edmonton the first of the week.

For choice groceries, flour and feed go to Stanley & Switzer.

Mrs. Nelson, of Bentley, is visiting friends in town this week.

Dr. Hynes returned on Thursday from his trip through the States.

Mrs. J. L. Poole is down from Wetaskiwin to visit friends here.

Mrs. Geo. Vickerson went to Calgary on Saturday last to visit relatives.

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For the choicest candies, made in Lacombe, go to the Lacombe Candy Kitchen.

Mrs. J. B. Taylor, of Edmonton, was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Fortune the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Thistworth entertained friends on Friday evening last, at "five hundred."

Miss Edie Storey returned on Saturday last from Calgary, where she has been visiting friends.

Wm. Wieser, now of Carstairs district, was shaking hands with old friends here Wednesday.

Arriving every day in Lacombe for the City Pharmacy, new goods. It's a new store, new stock, and up to date.

J. R. Donneworth, and family, of Spring Valley, moved to Edmonton this week, where they expect to make their home in future.

J. N. McLeod has been appointed Rural Development Inspector Alberta Government Telephones, with headquarters at Lacombe.

A surprise to all this week. What! The swiftest line of Cushions and Pillows, at the City Pharmacy. See window this week.

Mrs. Lloyd Wellington Puffer (née Miss Grace Bowes) will receive Thursday afternoon, January 22, and afterwards on the third Tuesday.

The first meeting of the "Reading Circle," for this season, will be held at the home of Mrs. E. M. Sharpe, on Tuesday evening, January 20th, commencing at eight o'clock.

Professor Jackson, of Alberta College, Edmonton, will give a lecture on "Othello" next Monday evening, the 19th, at the Methodist church, under the auspices of the Epworth League. Everyone made welcome. A silver collection will be taken to defray expenses.

The Guardian would greatly appreciate it if friends of the paper would let us know of any items of interest for our local column. If you are going away on a visit, or have friends visiting you, let us know about it. These personal items help to make a newsy local paper.

Tom Marks and company are booked for three nights and Saturday Matinee next week at the Comet Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Peters attended the annual banquet and theatre party given by the Calgary branch of the Scott Fruit Co. last Friday night.

The firm of Stanley & Switzer, which has been doing an extensive business in flour and feed and produce, is enlarging its business. A full line of groceries is being added and the store is being remodeled in its interior arrangement to permit of the most speedy and economical handling of the increased business. S. Nicholson is taking charge of the business as manager, and E. S. Thistworth is opening up a new store at Siding Six on the N. R. in Jones Valley.

A ladies' hockey club has been formed here, and challenges have already been received from the ladies' clubs of Wetaskiwin and Red Deer. On Saturday last a meeting was held, at which the following officers were elected: Hon. President, Mrs. F. E. McLeod; President, Mrs. D. Hay; First Vice President, Miss Isabella Simpson; Second Vice President, Miss Dora Talbot; Secretary Treasurer, Miss L. Northwood; Captain, Miss May Talbot; Manager, Miss M. Cameron; Executive Committee, Miss K. McCully, Miss B. Rose, Miss M. Rose. The club will hold practices every Monday and Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

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One of the most delightful social events of the season took place on Friday night, the 10th, when

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell entertained about seventy of their married friends in their beautiful new home on Barnett avenue. Five hundred was played till midnight, when a dainty supper was served, followed by the distribution of the houses at cards. Miss Tibbans was the lady's prize and M. B. McDonald the gentleman's prize. The body prizes amidst much hilarity, were presented to Mrs. Fraser and Wm. Reid. From this time on until the assembly dispersed dancing and instrumental and vocal music were enjoyed by all. The spacious rooms with splendid hardware floors are ideally arranged for dancing. At four o'clock a.m. one of the departing guests voiced the sentiments of all when he truly expressed the hope that Mr. and Mrs. Campbell would decide to make the anniversary of this occasion not less than four times a year in future.

Tom Marks Coming Here

Tom Marks and his popular company occupy the Comet Theatre a night or next week, opening on Thursday night with the laughable pastoral comedy, "The Golden Mile." In this Comedy, Mr. Marks assumes the role of Father Michael, Pastor of St. Michael's Church. The part is excruciatingly funny and is admirably adapted to Mr. Marks' mirth radiating personality. This genial person will appear in such well known successes as, "The Hidden Secret," "The Irish Attorney," and "How-de-Pop." From this list of plays, this irresistible fun maker will continue to tickle the risibilities of his patrons with some of the latest and best comedies. Do not forget the date, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and Saturday matinee, January 22, 23, 24. Seats on sale at 7 o'clock.

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One of those unthinkable cases which are beyond comprehension was up before the local justices on Monday last, and as a result a well known resident of the district has been sent up for trial at the assizes on the charge of ravishing a girl about thirteen years of age. The case was a shocking one, a tale of grossest depravity. According to the story of the child, yet in short dresses and small even for her tender years, the accused had assaulted her on many occasions, extending over nearly two years. The man was a trusted friend of the parents of the girl, and had lived under the same roof with them since the victim was a baby, and was always treated as one of the family. The mother never suspected anything, and until a doctor informed her that the child was soon to become a mother, would not believe that such a crime had been committed in her home.

The girl is bright and intelligent, and while not realizing in her position, told her story in a straightforward manner to the magistrate, who at the conclusion of the case, sent the accused up for trial.

Thrilling Rescue at Sea

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 14. Few of the great shipping disasters of Nova Scotia will remain as memorable as that which has its culmination at eight o'clock tonight, when the little steamer Westport, under command of Captain McKinnon, entered Yarmouth harbor with the first of the rescued passengers and crew, numbering 72, from the stranded Royal Mail Steam Packet liner Coquid, bound from Demerara, via Bermuda, to St. John, and piled on the treacherous reefs of Trinity ledges, twenty miles west of Yarmouth, at the entrance of the Bay of Fundy, early Sunday morning. Closely following the first rescue ship came the tug John L. Cann, with 24 of the ship's company. Standing by the ship during the night and for the purpose of taking off at daylight those who were remaining aboard was the Canadian steamer Lansdowne, and the Lady Laurier was expected to arrive at the scene of the wreck tomorrow morning. For nearly 48 hours, in the midst of a howling blizzard, ensnared in vapor and snow squalls, 106 men and women were held in a stranded ship six miles from land, with the great tidal waves of the Bay of Fundy breaking over them, with the frost of midwinter encasing ship's decks and rails with an unbreakable sheeting of ice and with each member as it smashed against the ship's sides bringing the horror of their situation home to them afresh between the squalls.

Out of the port holes of the steamer they could see the lights of the comfortable, happy home on the coast, where brave men were more than willing to rescue the shipwrecked people if only means could be devised to bring them to the land. Seldom has the marine department of Canada been called upon to exert greater efforts for the saving of human life, and seldom have its agents been required to contend against greater odds. It almost seemed that the storm which swept the eastern coasts of Canada on Sunday night had concentrated its force with the single object of destroying a ship and its human company.

Two days and one night the rescuers worked in a blind search for the wrecked ship, for at a critical moment the wireless failed. The Coquid from 8:30 o'clock Monday morning until the storm abated enough to enable people on the shore to see her impaled on the rocks, gave no sign of life. It was when rescuers and watchers had practically given up the last silent hope that the good news was flashed from Yarmouth of the rescue of the entire ship's company. Despite the great odds against them, the boats sent to the aid of the stranded steamer pressed on in their search. Just before noon today the storm abated, the squalls ceased, and through the vapor of the Yarmouth coast could be seen the hull of a ship piled upon the ledges, about six miles off the shore.

in the vicinity of Port Maitland. From the marine and fisheries office at Halifax, orders were sent for all rescuing boats to proceed to the actual scene of the wreck. O. G. S. Lansdowne then in Westport, Brier Island, left at four o'clock. The tug John L. Cann had preceded her.

From Yarmouth the steamer Westport sailed. At 4:20 this afternoon Captain McKinnon of the Westport sighted the Coquid, she was lying on the southeast part of Trinity ledges. At that time there was a high wind and a rough sea, but despite these conditions the plucky skipper determined that no efforts would be spared to make a rescue of at least some of the passengers and crew, from their perilous position.

In three different boats, of which only four remained intact on the Coquid, seventy-two of the ship's company put out toward the rescuing steamer. They were safely embarked on the Westport, which remained by until the tug John L. Cann came up, and at six o'clock tonight were taken off. The steamers were put under way at once for Yarmouth.

On the Coquid there still remained Captain Houson and 11 men for whom there was no lifeboat, and as it was after dark when the Cann made her rescue it was decided that the Lansdowne should stand by until daylight. It was then expected that the Lady Laurier would reach the scene and either one of the two boats will take the captain and his men.

The Lady Laurier will bring Captain Houson and his Company to Halifax. The Coquid is still intact, but is a hopeless wreck. Within less than ten minutes after the steamer struck the rocks, her engine room was full of water, and the fires were quenched. With the first shock the aerials came down, and that accounts for the interruption of the wireless service. Although an attempt was made to replace one of them, they became soiced up that it was found impossible to operate the service.

All that remains of the ship is but a broken hull, on one of the most dangerous ledges on the Bay of Fundy coast.

That her 106 souls whom she had aboard are safe tonight seems to be a miracle, when some idea is gained of the terrific seas and winds that have been running off the coast during the past 30 hours.

Captain J. Edgar McKinnon, of the Westport, came up to the wreck under her port side. He found her lying headed to the westward, with her bow down and her stern well out of the water, with the spray and seas going over her.

In a short time the crew had a boat in the water with 24 aboard. This boat was in charge of the second officer. The women were all taken off in this boat in accordance with British tradition. These were all gotten aboard without accident to any of them. The second boat came off with about 25 aboard, while the third boat to leave the ship brought the balance of the 72 which the Westport rescued. This was all accomplished inside of two hours.

Parliament Opened Thursday

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Parliament reopened this afternoon, after a recess lasting nearly seven months.

In the face of snow flurries with the weather somewhat moderated but still unusually cold, his royal highness and staff escorted by the Princess Louise dragon guards, heads bowed against the wind, and lance pennants whipping in the breeze, swept up parliament hill and stopped before the main door.

The governor-general's foot guards, muffled in their great coats, came to the salute as his royal highness stepped down from his motor. The band played two bars of the National Anthem, and from Nepean Point the guns roared out the royal salute.

His royal highness was attended by Lieut. Col. Parfleur and Captain Hon. C. E. Boscaen, side-by-side in waiting. Her Royal Highness Princess Patricia was accompanied by Hon. Katherine Villiers, and Lord Spencer Compton. They entered the senate chamber at the back of the throne, and the princess took her place on a chair placed to the left of the dais.

The speech from the throne was rather an empty one, being replete with a conspicuous silence on all the important problems that parliament will be called upon to solve.

Now Good Seed Has Increased Yield

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—A good example of how agricultural production can be increased and farming made more profitable is the fact that the grain crop of Canada has been increased by more than 24,000,000 bushels yearly by the use of the best quality of seed. This is the statement of Prof. J. W. Roberts, in the annual report of the Canadian Seed Grower's association, of which he is president. He says: "At least 6,000,000 acres in Canada last year had crops that were appreciably different and better owing to the quality of the seed that was sown. I am away within the mark in saying that the increase was four bushels to the acre."

He stated that forty per cent of the grain crops in Prince Edward Island and 80 per cent of the crops in Manitoba, had been improved by the use of the best seed and other parts of the country had benefited in the same way. The report tells of an experiment made by 30 farmers who planted banner oats of both the registered and unregistered variety. The average yield was: Registered 51 bushels; unregistered 48 bushels.

BIRTHS

Lowe—At Blackfalds on Friday, Jan. 2, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lowe, a daughter.

Drader—At Gull Lake on Thursday Jan. 8, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Drader, a son.

Fernie—At Gull Lake on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fernie, a son.

GRANDPA'S REMINISCENCES.

WHEN grandpa gets his song book: "We have to sit around and listen while he tells about the great times of yore. How Grant was our president, and Fall—how she sang. And the old time when we beat some ancient grecs. The various scandals and the right which flourished in his youth. Are his particular delights. He loves to sit and talk about grandpa. But grandpa knows them all by heart. His pleasures are few. He likes to sit and smoke a烟 (cigarette). We have to hear him through. We have our heroes nowadays. All singers wondrous sweet; Men struggle in the public gaze. With interest the world's a thrill. But grandpa gravely quotes: "A man's got to have a soul if he's not quite taking notes." —Washington Star

The Test.

"How's the president of the Pat. Man's?" the president of the Pat. Man's club was asked, "did you prevent fraud among your applicants for members? Didn't some men try to get in that weren't up to the standard weight?" "Yes, sir." "What's the pretty officer replied, "but it was no use. Applications had to be presented in person at the Folk building fifth floor. There was no elevator. The applicant climbed the five flights of stairs. At the top he met a man who said, "Sir, were you looking for the Pat. Man's club?" "Yes."

"The mafice office is on the first floor," the man said. "Your application is rejected. We receive no man who can climb five flights of stairs." —Westerly Tribune.

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Thick, Fine and Red. Agony of Itching and Burning Frightful. One Cake of Cuticura Soap and Box of Cuticura Ointment Cured.

Lower, Ossow, N. S.—"A first we thought my child's trouble was in the head, but it was in the body. The whole body was covered with a red and the skin pustules and blisters the skin came off and the hair had been scalded. It was a terrible sight. The skin was red in color and intensely itchy and burning. The skin just went off leaving a white, yellow matter in the skin. The skin on every finger split down on each side and looked like a ruff. His teeth were clenched and he groaned like a madman. The skin on the bottom of his foot did the same and he would say he could not walk, that there were places in his foot."

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OF COURSE THE BOY WON.

No Man Plays the Reason For His Coming to the Fair.

FRIDAY afternoon Mr. Grigson was busy and, being particularly anxious to get away early from the visitors.

Mr. Grigson is honest, and word comes up that there was some man downstairs, waiting to see him on an important matter.

Mr. Grigson swallowed his resentment and bade the messenger bring up the gentleman.

The man entered—cheeky young little whip-snapper, four feet nothing in his socks.

Mr. Grigson glared at him angrily. "What the dickens do you mean by saying you want to see me on important business?" he thundered.

"I am the boy who was here a week or so ago looking for a job."

"Yes, sir."

"Then what the—began Mr. Grigson, how purple the face. But the youth interrupted him.

"You said 'then,' sir," he remarked, "so I am the boy who was here a week or so ago looking for a job."

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"The—sir," said the boy, "I am the boy who was here a week or so ago looking for a job."

"That's why I've come back again now!" —London Gazette

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For the Christmas Gift

It is Thomas Linton an Chemist

It is the philanthropist, said Sir

It was Linton once. I remember when

It was just starting in business I was

It was to enlarge my little shop. My only

It was a boy of fourteen, faithful,

It was willing and honest. One day

It was him who was to go to any

It was place of work on Sunday. There

It was no chance of my getting a new suit

It was this year, he told me, that I

It was to pay the rent. I thought the master

It was over, and then took a sovereign from

It was my family treasures a spiritified drawing

It was which he made of some Arabs

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SEVERE COLD ON LUNGS AND CHEST QUICKLY RELIEVED

By Neo-Dro-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chelodine

Mr. J. Seward, Bromptonville, Que.

Two weeks ago I took a severe cold which settled on my lungs and my chest. I always have been a light sleeper, having to sleep in a chair. I bought a bottle of Neo-Dro-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chelodine and after a few doses I felt great relief and was soon sleeping well. I was not able to do for some nights. Next day I was able to be around again, and before completing the cold, felt as well as ever. It is a fine cough and cold cure.

Neo-Dro-Co Syrup of Linseed, Licorice and Chelodine relieves the irritation and irritation of the lungs and chest. It soothes the tickling which makes you cough, lessens the phlegm and drives out the cold before it gets troublesome.

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James Cawley Books

In Japan the author of novels is not exercised by the librarians, but by a government official who is empowered to prosecute offending authors as well as for the sale of their books. Now comes the author of a Japanese novel called "The Great Glass" was brought before the courts for giving too much detail description of life in Tokyo. He came under fire because the book should not the indefensible rights of literature and the enabling of everything by art. But the case was given over to the police, who said that the author's works have been forbidden to circulate in Japan, the ground of offense being the lack of respect shown by wives towards their husbands and by sons towards their fathers.

In a remote farming district in which I once passed a few days, I was told of a "wealthy" man whose son had been killed and who had been succeeded after an infinity of trouble. In persuading him to take his money to a bank. When he intended to go to the bank, he was told that the bank would charge for taking care of his case. The manager replied that he would charge nothing for taking care of his case, but that he would charge him a fee for his services. I always knew you were rich, he retorted, and I marched off, money and all.

Mildred's Liniment Cure Distemper

His Chance at Law

The busboy was circulating a petition calling upon the powers that be to give him a chance at law. It will be said, and I say it at the next meeting, he said, and a copy of it will be printed in all the papers.

The struggling young author made his appeal.

What's it all about? asked a friend.

Oh, I don't know, said the struggling young author, but couldn't read the petition, so I signed it to something that will appear in print.

The Ruling Passion

The Amazon in days of old displayed a fiery temper on the battlefield; but now the less, the less fighting she surveys.

Her features in her shield.

The modern maid, who also yearns to face

Some day, if need arise, her come try's to be.

Would you be the battle pause and place?

Some powder on her nose?

Away With Desperadoes and Men!

—To you evil in the accompaniment of a disordered stomach and torpid liver and mean wrenches to all whom they visit. The surest and easiest way to combat this disease is with Parsons' Liniment Pills, which will restore the healthful action of the stomach and bring relief. They have proved that the stomach chamber of the body will continue to give relief to the suffering who are wise enough to use them.

Know Me No Honest

A man who kept a small shop was waiting on a single customer early one morning. His little boy and he were alone at the time, and the shopkeeper was about to go to his shop. Before doing so he whispered to the little chap to watch the customer, so that he could not steal anything. The boy did as the proprietor directed, with the exception that he and the boy sang out: He didn't steal anything, pa! I watched him!

Tipper Upset as

Numberless are the superstitions associated with the tiger. The natives of India believe that tigers are a deadly poison and that when they eat it, the poison will enter the person's food that will assuredly cause death. What is known as the "evil eye" is greatly dreaded in India, and the natives believe that the eyes of tigers around the heads of their children.

Wearing watches on the fingers is all right for those Washington society girls who are not in the habit of washing the dinner dishes.

A Failure

No think the horses show was not a success.

Yes, I only got to wear three of my new gowns in account of rain.

New York's idea of luck is getting in to see a new play before the police stop it.

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If you have Red, Weak, Watery Eyes or Granulated Epiphysis, Doesn't Start Your Eyes, or If You Have a Dry Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c. 50c. Murine Eye Salve in Aspic Tubes, 25c. 50c. Eye Books Free by Mail. Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

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A Rather Novel Complaint

An elderly Frenchman, a pensioner, who is a native of the most wretched despot and apparently near the last acres by the side of one of the mountain lakes of Switzerland. He came to his home in the winter, and there he had a curious carving in the form of an arched doorway over one of the stable doors. Beneath the carvings was a small inscription, which he could not read. Examining it closely, he found the latter to be 1681. All his antiquarian knowledge was of no avail, and he turned to the farmer who sold him the carving for quite a nice sum. The next day the farmer brought the trouble to the antiquarian, who was a man who had a good deal of knowledge of the past. He examined the date, and said: "I don't want to excuse me, sir, replied the farmer, but the date is right enough, and the carvings are good. I have no objection to go to the city, and the Hôtel in the house was useless. When I got to town, down the swelling relieved the pain, and gave me wonderful comfort."

"I climbed from a horse, lost to the barn floor and sprained my right ankle and left wrist. The swelling rapidly increased, and I was unable to get to the city, and the carvings were not convenient to go to the city, and the Hôtel in the house was useless.

"When I got to town, down the swelling relieved the pain, and gave me wonderful comfort."

Let me see the guidebook, said his friend. Turning to the passage, he said: "Learn it in the plain language of the 'Tales of the Lake' which I have in my pocket."

The dying man looked up with a radiant countenance.

What would become of you, my friend? If I had not met you, I should have been in perfect knowledge of the French language.

Most Civilized Nation

The question "Which is the most civilized nation on earth?" is difficult to answer. Civilization is a very classic term and is understood differently in different countries. In places of scientific attainment, education, wealth and all the things that go along with wealth, Great Britain, France and Germany are the most advanced.

When the manager was asked what he thought of the manager's wife, he said: "I think she is a good woman, but she is not a good housekeeper." The manager's wife: "Mrs. Palmer, certainly is some cook."

Although I come from the South, I were I did ride horseback. I don't care for the manager's wife, but she is a good woman, and I think she is probably very good. In that far northern land the ideal civilization that is, the civilization rests on common sense and ingenuity, so seems to have been attained to a greater extent than it has anywhere else.

Peculiar Japanese Rite

Segotera temple, in the province of Ise, Japan, is the scene each July of a peculiar rite dedicated to the worship of Acalanatha, the fifth-ribbed Bodhisattva. The ceremony is performed with great solemnity, and the participants are dressed in white robes.

It is a rite of purification when taking care of his case. The manager replied that he would change nothing for taking care of his case, so the manager said: "I always knew you were rich, he retorted, and I marched off, money and all."

The hotel clerk asks me if I want a room with a bath. I never say "No, I will not be here Saturday night."

How to Treat All Skin Trouble

Greasy Ointments No Use—Must Be Cared Through The Blood

It is not a good thing for people with a tendency to have pimples and a highly complexed skin, because then they can do anything worse, because the grease clogs the pores of the skin, making the disease worse. When the skin is irritated, it is a skin with a sore, which will help the pain or itching, but of course it does not cure the trouble. Skin complaints arise from an impure condition of the blood, and will not be cured until the blood is purified. Dr. William Pink Pills have cured many cases of eczema and skin diseases because they cleanse the skin, making the disease worse.

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Specialist: The specialist is ten times more in demand than the handyman. Generally he draws an income and the other man draws wages.

Father (to son, just from home on leave)—Well, son, what did you learn?

Son (proudly)—Why, father, I was one of the best all around athletes in my school.

What's that a year was steadily afflicted with salt rheum or eczema. My hands were so sore that I could not put them in water without the skin being peeled off.

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The Lacombe Guardian

F. H. SCHOOLEY, PROPRIETOR

THE GOVERNMENT'S SINS OF COMMISSION AND OMISSION IN 1913

A retrospect of the year that has just ended must give very much more satisfaction to the Liberal forces than to the supporters of the Borden government. It would be hard to find any year in the history of Canada when the Government achieved less in a concrete way for the good of the Dominion when it had done more to jeopardize the good name of Canada at home and abroad. It would be impossible to find any year in which a newly elected Government could show such scurvy unwillingness to fulfil its pre-election pledges or engage in any constructive legislation to meet changed conditions.

There has been but one real event in the political world during the year that has shown statesmanlike effort to cope with the growing necessities of the Canadian people. That was the formulation by Sir Wilfrid Laurier of the Liberal policy of free food, with a sincere effort to discover the reasons for the increasing cost of living that steps might be taken to ease the burdens of the people. In comparison with that evidence of constructive statesmanship the temporizing and opportunism of the present government shrunk into insignificance. No more striking proof of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's real leadership could be imagined than the fact that the Government after time and again announcing that the cost of living demanded no investigation suddenly found popular pressure too strong, and appointed a commission—but appointed it in such a way as to insure a report to suit itself.

It has been a disastrous year for the Government. It opened with Mr. Borden's emergency in full bloom. It has closed with the emergency withered and dead, discredited alike in England, in Canada and throughout the Empire. It opened with the announced determination of Mr. Borden to force upon Canada a contribution of \$35,000,000 to tide the Empire over his imagined emergency. It has closed without the slightest thing having been done by Canada to increase its own defensive forces as part of the Empire's defences. It opened with the Government's loan of prosperity. It has closed with hard times and lack of employment such as has not been seen in Canada since 1896, a shrinking Government revenue, and declining trade. There were two great increases, however, during the year. The Government jumped the national expenditures from \$120,000,000 in the last year of Liberal Government to \$250,000,000, and it has increased the national debt by millions during the last few months.

While proclaiming a large surplus, Hon. Mr. White faced a treasury emptied by ministerial extravagance, and had to go to England to borrow between thirty and forty million dollars until he became so inordinate in his demands on the London money market that the financiers there rebelled. Canadian credit became impaired, and the present Government is compelled to pay one per cent more for money than the last Liberal Government. The Government announced it would spend \$10,

000,000 on good roads. It failed to induce Parliament to accept this proposition because it was cunningly framed in the interests of the Government rather than the roads, and was an invention of provincial rights. Since then the Government has had the mortification of seeing its Highways Aid proposition criticized in Provincial legislatures, and heartily condemned by such representative bodies as the Dominion Grange and the Western Grain Growers' Associations.

The year has seen the Government forced through parliament a gift of \$15,000,000 to Mackenzie and Mann, despite determined Liberal opposition, and the Government has seen that gift condemned by its own followers as well as by Liberals throughout the country. It has witnessed attacks upon the Civil Service with wholesale dismissals to make room for partisan friends. It has seen every problem which faced the Government referred to commissions, until Hon. Mr. Foster scuriously declared at a public meeting that commissions were as plentiful as berries in the wilderness and that their expensive reports were simply shelved and forgotten.

The year has witnessed the imposing upon parliament for the first time of the closure, by which the Government is able to gag the Opposition, and force upon the country any legislation it pleases unless the Senate has the courage to prevent it.

The year has been especially memorable for the shameful neglect by Premier Borden of every promise he made before his election. He posed as the champion of provincial rights, but has had the mortification of seeing one of his leading supporters, Mr. R. B. Bennett, M. P. for Calgary, declare that unless the Premier would implement his ancient promises and give the Western Provinces control of their natural resources he would resign his seat.

There have been several elections during the year, they ended disastrously for the Government. The infamous Macdonald by-election scandal closed with disgrace to the Government in the confession of corruption by the man who benefited, and the voiding of his election, without the Government supporters daring to face a trial.

Despite every effort of the Conservatives, they have lost prestige in their great stronghold of Ontario. They lost South Bruce after a determined campaign, and only succeeded in retaining other seats such as East Middlesex, by greatly reduced majorities. Their one victory was in Chateauguay where they succeeded in gaining the riding by such corrupt methods that after the election was protested they employed their most expert lawyers to delay the election trial so that Mr. Morris could follow the example of Mr. Morrison in Macdonald and enjoy at least one session in Parliament before the courts voided his election.

The year has witnessed the complete exposure by Mr. Bourassa, of the secret alliance between the Tory Centralizers of Ontario and the Nationalists of Quebec by which the money of the Ontario high tariff interests was used to promote the Bourassa propaganda in Quebec, in order to defeat Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and in the end, do nothing for Imperial defence. On the other hand the year has

witnessed steady progress on every side by the Liberals. Throughout the parliamentary session they fought successfully for the rights of the people, for the rights of the Provinces, and for the rights of Canada as an autonomous nation within the Empire. It has witnessed an extraordinary revival of Liberalism throughout the country as shown by the triumphant receptions accorded Sir Wilfrid Laurier whenever he visited Ontario and the great meetings which have been held in the Western and Maritime Provinces, while the general meeting of the Ontario Reform Association was the most enthusiastic ever held.

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Judicial Sale of Farm Property Near Morningside, Alberta.

Pursuant to judgment and final Order for Sale there will be sold by C. F. Damon, Auctioneer, at the office of Frank Vickerson, at Lacombe, Alberta, on Saturday the 31st day of January, 1914, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, the South East quarter of Section 8, in Township 42, in Range 26, West of the Fourth Meridian, Alberta, subject to the reservations and conditions in the grant from the Crown or in the existing Certificate of Title.

The vendors are informed that this property consists of 160 acres of land of which 145 acres are good arable land, 10 acres of low land and 5 acres of scrub. The property is fenced on two sides with a woven wire fence and tamarack posts and on the South and West sides with a two strand wire fence and tamarack posts.

The property is situated within three and a half miles of the Town of Morningside and within one mile of a school. There is a good well on the property. The soil is a black loam averaging approximately twenty inches in depth with clay subsoil. There are 30 acres of land under cultivation on the property this year.

There are the following buildings on the said property: A loghouse 22 x 22 with shingle roof, a log shed 10 x 14 with board roof and a frame barn 40 x 40 with shingle roof, all in good state of repair. The property will be sold subject to a Reserve Bid. Terms of payment will be 10 per cent cash on the day of sale and the balance within 60 days thereafter without interest. Other terms and conditions are the standing conditions of the Supreme Court of Alberta as settled by the Master in Chambers. Further particulars may be had from Messrs. Griesbach, O'Connor & Company, Solicitors, Edmonton, Alberta.

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A GARDEN ROMANCE

The Grand Lady and the Tiller of the Soil.

By BERNARD BRAINERD.

Tilling the soil was one of Bert Bently's hobbies. A gentleman and a good-looking man, Bert had a smile, though the style in which he was dressed on this particular morning while working in his garden was no fanciful affair.

A faded coat, corduroy trousers, and straw hat came into his mind as he turned his horse and followed a turn in the road he saw it pass his own property and turn into the estate adjoining him. Then the light broke over him, and he saw through it all that he had been foolish enough and to change his riding costume, having a presentation that he was going to have a call from Miss Blaney.

"A lady called and asked for you, Mr. Bently. She would not come in, so I sent her a note in the summer house telling her to come in."

Bently sprang to his feet and hastened to the summer house. From the house he saw her approaching.

"Mr. Bently, I have discovered," she said, "that you and your wife could speak, and have come to apologize for my inexcusable rudeness. I am certainly humiliated."

Her cheeks were crimson, and the expression on her face was one of genuine distress.

"What is it, Blaney?" began Bently. "I consider it a personal notice."

But she interrupted him. "Please, allow me to explain. About a year ago my uncle purchased the next property and made it a residence for me. I have been here for five minutes only, but we went east. Several days ago I returned to take possession. On Tuesday of last week I drove out to see it. I was there to meet Mr. Hunt at Barlow station, but missed him. I stopped at a house and was invited to take in the place, but they are quite alike from the road. I drove in. The garden looked so inviting I sauntered in. You know the rest."

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"The ideal. Think of how I behaved; ordered you—ordered you to cut me those dowers! Oh!" She covered her face with her hands for a moment.

"Want to be a queen?" The young man blushed deeply.

"You were somewhat to blame, yourself," she said, with an indignant snarl of her splendid dark eyes. "You must have realized my mistake at once. You were very unkind not to tell me."

"My dear Miss Blaney! Shall I follow her again and speak to her? She seems to be perfectly at home and to regard me, god, as the earth under her feet. I must find some way to assist this magnificently young person what has happened?"

His perplexity was dispelled for a time by the lady looking over her shoulder and calling softly, "Will you come here a moment?"

Bently was soon at her side.

"We're in the name of that beautiful rose," she said. "Indeed, that rose—the pride of his garden—was a splendid specimen which Bently had watched unfold in the hothouse, and only a short time before he had overstepped the bounds of the garden. Two beautiful blooms were on the stalk. He told her its name."

"Clip off a rose, please."

She noticed Bently's hesitation and strange expression and said, "I suppose you know I am Miss Blaney?"

The young man blushed suddenly in the dark, but he slipped a rose and presented it to her with a bow.

"Miss Blaney, everything in this garden is yours," he said gallantly.

"I am glad you are aware of this," she replied, with a smile on her face. "I suppose you don't know it yet."

"Not in the least," he said. "Your visit is too much of an honor. With your permission I will show you through the garden. Perhaps there is something else you would like to see."

In a short time they had finished the inspection of the garden, and, looking up, she said, "Would you like to remain here or have you other arrangements?"

Bently looked at her in surprise. "Well, I—certainly I would like to remain—that is, if you have no objection," he said, with a mocking smile.

Miss Blaney replied rather musingly, "No, I do not think I could do better."

Bently bowed low. "I will take this question settled at once," she said. "Are you willing to engage?"

The humor of it all began to appear to Bently.

"But, Miss Blaney," he said, "it is only to warn you that I am a very big fool if you do."

"I do not think you can take the advantage of me because I am a woman," she replied quickly. "For you will find that I am a good business woman. I can assure you, your visit will be a success to your business, and no more."

Then she added less emphatically, "But try to please me and you will find we will have no occasion to quarrel over your compensation."

Miss Blaney and Bently were now walking toward the house. "Look at her," she said; "she shall not have time to go into the house today. Thank you for showing me through the garden." Then quite pleasantly, "What is your name?"

"My name is Bently," he replied.

"My name is Blaney," she said. "I think we shall agree."

Carelessly nodding to him, she moved on in the direction of her carriage. The footman saluted and opened the door, and Bently watched her drive away.

On the mountain road he was out for a morning ride on his favorite saddle horse when he saw a carriage approaching with two people in it. His heart beat quickly as he recognized Miss Blaney. The other person was a well-made man, and Hunt. With whom Bently was well acquainted.

As he neared the horse he saw his hat to Mr. Hunt's misfortune. Miss Blaney started and looked at him with eyes that expressed surprise and dismay.

Bently quickly turned up a lane and went leisurely after them. He saw her bend over and speak to Hunt in a hurried, anxious way.

He turned his horse's head and followed at a respectful distance, but soon he had given the distance a ample time to disappear. As he followed a turn in the road he saw it pass his own property and turn into the estate adjoining him. Then the light broke over him, and he saw through it all that he had been foolish enough and to change his riding costume, having a presentation that he was going to have a call from Miss Blaney.

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Bently accommodated her to her carriage and remained beside her.

"I hope you will not worry over our—our little comedy, will you?"

"Not a bit. I feel bad for awhile but I'm through with it. I am not seeking trouble."

Miss Blaney enjoyed a happy summer. Her horseback rides, sail, golf, tennis and little picnics were in company with him. It seemed to Bently that he had loved her from the first glance he got of her that morning in the garden. Many of the small parties also included Bently's sister, the wife of his ideal number. The former always went to sleep, and the latter lost herself in her fairy work.

One beautiful October night when the moon was a slender, glowing sliver, Bert Bently, with a designating mind, invited Miss Blaney out on the veranda to take a look at the moonlight. The garden slept under the splendid light moon, and the waters of the stream were like a mirror of silver.

"Was there I saw you," he said, pointing to a patch of white gleaming amid a dark green. "On that very spot we parted on that beautiful morning in June, and there you made me a promise."

"I made a promise," he said.

It was a light, graceful movement she drew back until her face came within the shadow of an overhanging woodland.

"I can repeat your words," I believe you did again."

"Ah, yes," came from the shadow of the vine. "But that was to my garden, or to the real landed proprietor who took his place."

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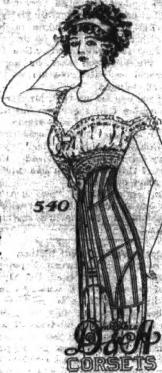
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